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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

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Dear Sir:

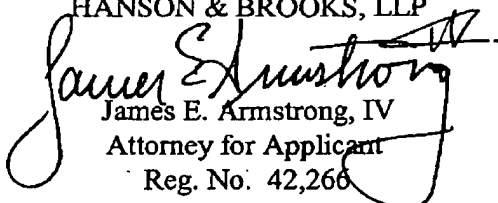
In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements of Application dated August 8, 2006, enclosed for filing is an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified patent application.

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In the event that this response is not timely filed, the applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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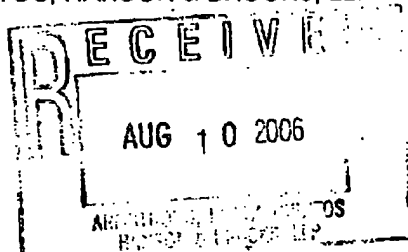
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (D/O/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 02/15/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 02/15/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 02/15/2006
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- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 02/15/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 02/15/2006
- Copy of references cited in ISR filed on 02/15/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 02/15/2006
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

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